

From The Greeley News.]

A Yellow Dog Without a Tail.

We are free to confess that we were "dumbfounded" upon receiving the Ottawa Republican last week, and seeing that that paper had put the name of E. H. Funston at the head of its first editorial column.

Ex-Gov. Anthony, the editor of the Republican, said some time ago that if the Republican party should put up a yellow dog, without a tail, that paper would support the dog. In the last issue of the Republican, Anthony repeats the assertion, and infers in rather strong language that the tailless canine has been nominated by the Republicans.

In the same issue of the Republican, Anthony scores Funston unmercifully, and calls him all the mean names he could think of; says Funston is dishonest; that he is not fit to represent the Second congressional district; that the whole business was a piece of chicanery, and that the Funston delegates were chosen by a lot of dirty, dishonest wire-pullers, etc., etc. And yet, the Republican says it must support Funston.

Shades of Washington and Lincoln! Can any one tell what Anthony means by such foolishness? Did anybody ever hear of such gall! How can the editor of the Republican expect to enjoy the respect of decent people?

No candidate for any office has ever received more abuse or more bitter criticism than Funston has at the hands of Geo. T. Anthony. The Republican has proven Funston a liar; has charged him with being untrue to every pledge he made before his election in '88—and proved its charges. It has shown that Funston is a dishonest man, unfit to hold any office within the gift of the people. And yet, notwithstanding all this, the Republican, through its editor, Geo. T. Anthony, says it must support him, because the Republican party has nominated him.

In the face of all the proof brought out by Anthony to substantiate its charges, it asks the people to vote for a dishonest man, a liar, a violator of pledges and a violator of law!

What is this country coming to? Where is our boasted freedom? Are a few political prostitutes going to run this nation to suit themselves? Are the people to be bound and gagged and led to the polls and forced to vote for men they know are dishonest?

When it comes to this, it is better that the nation pull down its sign and go out of the nation business.

W. C. T. U. County Convention.

The regular annual convention of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Garnett, Aug. 21st and 22d, at which time, there will be an election of officers.

Papers will be prepared on the following subjects:

Sowing Tares; or, Who is the Drunkard-Maker?—by the Garnett union.

The Girls' Relation to the W. C. T. U.—by the Welda union.

The Importance of Press Work—by the Glenlock union.

Pray Let Me be Excused—by the Greeley union.

A full attendance is desired.

ANNA CHAMPE, Co. Pres.
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National Farmers' League.

This body claims to be in a sense supplementary to the other farmers' organizations and in harmony with all of them. Many of its members are also members of the Alliance or grange. The league is organized for political purposes solely. This is its own specification of its composition and objects:

"The Farmers' league is a non-secret, independent, non-partisan organization, in harmony with the Alliance, Wheel, Farmers' union, grange and kindred associations, agricultural societies, farmers' clubs and similar organizations. But the league goes a step further. Its object is the farmers' political welfare. The work of the league is directed toward securing a just representation and treatment of the agricultural interests in congress and in the legislatures, and due recognition of farmers in all public affairs, without conflicting with the best interests of the entire people. It consists of a national league and of state leagues, with county and town leagues. The national league has general supervision of the affairs of the Farmers' league and the work of organization, and attends specially to the farmers' interests in congress. The state leagues, as soon as organized, push the work of organization in their respective states and attend to the farmers' special interests in the legislature. The county league attends to the farmers' interests in county matters, and to affairs in senatorial and representative districts. The town leagues furnish the delegates who constitute the county leagues, and attend to the farmers' interests in local districts and in each election precinct. The payment of fifty cents constitutes life membership in the Farmers' league—state and national."

To the Point.

The following resolution has been introduced by Senator Call, he being moved thereto by the reports of combinations against the farmers in the northwest:

"That the committee on interstate commerce be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire and report to the senate whether any arrangements have been made between the persons owning elevators and the transportation companies in any of the western states, which will have the effect or which are intended to have the effect of preventing the storage of grain and of compelling the farmers to sell their grain at such prices as may be offered."

"To report by bill such legislation as will require elevator companies and all persons engaged in the business of storing grain and other farm products for interstate commerce to store such grain and other farm product when offered, to the extent of their capacity, on reasonable charges; and will prevent and punish combinations between persons engaged in such business, and transportation companies or their agents which have the effect and have been made or shall be made, with the intent of forcing farmers to sell their products, or in any way to affect the market price of farm products."—Washington Telegram.

Must Find That Moral.

Another trust has collapsed, but strongly as farmers are opposed to such organizations they will hardly rejoice at the downfall of this. It was a watermelon trust, which was started in Georgia and ruined in Chicago. It was to handle the enormous melon crop of the state. The melons were to be shipped to duly accredited agents in all the large cities of the northwest, and were to be sold wholesale at auction. The plan did not suit the ideas of the local dealers in the Windy City, and they quickly formed a counter combination. When the first Georgia melons were put up for sale there was but one bid for the entire lot—a ridiculously low one, too—and the melons had to go at that. Then the trust smashers divided the shipment among themselves and charged full prices to

small dealers, realizing an immense profit. The plan was adopted elsewhere also, and as an inevitable result the melon trust ceased to exist. Of course there's a moral to this story—what is it?—Rural New Yorker.

Jay Cooke's Opinion.

Jay Cooke, formerly an eminent banker, said recently to George Alfred Townsend in an interview upon the silver question: The public has been falsely advised by the bankers. The farmer only needs to understand the question to put himself right once and forever. If I could see Senator Sherman, Speaker Reed and other men of my political affiliation I would say to them, "Let that senate bill pass." I would say to the president, "Sign that bill." Our redemption lies in undoing the wrong, and, I believe, the conspiracy in which the silver dollar was stricken out of the coinage.

But the senate bill was rejected, and under the dictation of the president and house a compromise bill passed which is very far from a free coinage bill, but is a bill satisfactory to the bankers. What say the people?—American Grange Bulletin.

An Ithica, N. Y., correspondent says: "Take the town of Ulysses, in this county. So far as soil and climate are concerned a very garden of Eden for all agricultural purposes, yet the population of the town has decreased nearly 16 per cent. since 1880, while it is entirely within the truth to say that the selling value of its well cultivated and high improved farms has decreased more than 25 per cent. within the same period. What is true of the town of Ulysses is probably true to a greater or less extent of every purely agricultural town in the Twenty-eighth district."

We are anxious for the time to come when farmers and laborers of every part of our land will understand each other, and unite for mutual aid and protection in one well formed party, over which no man will be permitted to boss. It is not possible for us to succeed while one leader cries "stay" in the old party and another cries "go it independent." We must get together and understand ourselves.—Labor Tribune, Carthage, Mo.

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Farm and Factory Earners.

The farmers of the country have been taught by the press that the productive laborers of the city are such a dangerous class that it is necessary to call out the militia from time to time and shoot them into subjection in order to prevent the country from being involved in anarchy, socialism or some horrible condition under which manhood rights might be more regarded than money rights.

Under this teaching the productive workers of the country have been kept divided, and the political influence of the worker on the farm has been used to keep the factory workers in subjection.

From this condition there has been a gradual change for the better. The organizations of city and country workers have been drawn nearer together by a sense of common deprivations, and they are reaching a better understanding. If it goes on, and the militia is ordered out to massacre strikers, the farm workers of the country will understand that the men whose mass meetings are broken up, and who are shot down in the streets, are merely the oppressed poor—oppressed by the same causes which make it impossible for the farm worker to retain his earnings or by his utmost labor to achieve even a moderate independence, though the number of millionaires who prey on others instead of working for themselves is doubling and trebling itself with every year that the capitalists' commune perpetuates itself in power.

The closer city and country earners get together the more thoroughly they understand each other, the surer will be the progress of the country in the direction of alleviating the worst poverty through the natural distribution of wealth.—St. Louis Republic.

The Situation in Georgia.

The new situation is not at all abnormal. We have simply been living under an abnormal situation. Three-fourths of the white people, and these constituting the life of the great and necessary business of Georgia, have been held in political subjugation for twenty-five years. In all this time, aside from a few vapid and stereotyped phrases in relation to cheap axes and blankets, robber barons and war tariffs, they have been taught nothing on national issues. I do not say they have learned nothing. And in all this time no legislation has been secured by them worthy of the name which has lightened their labors. And for these they have given unswerving allegiance, have stood to the polls with their lives in their hands and saved Georgia as well by night as by day. Their lives have been heroic. What they have suffered and endured only God, the silent fields and the midnight hours may reveal. Sir, are not they, under their chosen leaders, sustained by their friends and kindred of the cities and towns and by a courage and honesty unabated, worthy of trust still? Every unbiased man must think so. Every reasonable Georgian who has height enough to see over the heads of the demagogues that embarrass the situation the banner that is unfurled must bid it God speed and good cheer.—Harry S. Edwards in Atlanta Constitution.

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